

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 30, bridging pages 2 and 3, with the following amended paragraph:

--A certain number of undesirable compounds are also produced during pyrolysis processes. Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) are toxic compounds produced during pyrolysis at high ~~tempersture~~ temperature of organic materials. These compounds must be eliminated from the liquid smoke or their content must at least be minimized. Present standards in force in Europe impose a maximum quantity of 10 ppb of benzo[a]pyrene and 20 ppb of benzoanthracene in liquid smoke.--

Page 4, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 22, with the following amended paragraph:

--However, ~~[[must]]~~ most of these installations and processes do not permit strict control of the pyrolysis temperature or the dwell time.--